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§ 125.100 Applicability.

- (a) Except as provided by paragraphs (c) or (e) of this section, this subchapter applies to each offshore supply vessel (OSV) of United States flag contracted for, or the keel of which was laid, on or after March 15, 1996.
- (b) Each OSV contracted for, or the keel of which was laid, before March 15, 1996, must have been constructed and inspected to comply with—
- (1) The regulations in effect until March 15, 1996 (46

CFR subchapter I or subchapter T, as appropriate), as they existed at the time of construction; or

- (2) The regulations in this sub-chapter.
- (c) Each OSV permitted grandfathering under paragraph (b)(1) of this section must have completed construction and have a Certificate of Inspection by March 16, 1998.
- (d) Each OSV of at least 6,000 GT ITC (500 GRT if GT ITC is not assigned), as

defined in §125.160 of this part, contracted for, or the keel of which was laid, before August 18, 2014, must be constructed and inspected to comply with—

- (1) The regulations in effect until August 18, 2014 (46 CFR subchapter I), as they existed at the time of construction; or
- (2) The regulations in this subchapter.
- (e) Each OSV constructed and inspected in accordance with paragraph (d)(1) of this section must complete construction and have a Certificate of Inspection by August 18, 2016.
- (f) Certain regulations in this subchapter apply only to limited categories of OSVs. Specific statements of applicability appear at the beginnings of those regulations.
- (g) As used in this subchapter, the term "vessels contracted for" refers not only to the contracting for the construction of a vessel, but also to the contracting for a major conversion to a vessel, the contracting for the conversion of a vessel to an offshore supply vessel or liftboat, and the changing of service or route of a vessel if such changing increases or modifies the general requirements for the vessel or increases the hazards to which it might be subjected.

NOTE TO §125.100: Navigation and Vessel Inspection Circular 8–91, "Initial and Subsequent Inspection of Uncertificated Existing Offshore Supply Vessels, Including Liftboats", contains guidance on how to apply the regulations in 46 CFR subchapters I and T to OSVs.

[CGD 82-004 and CGD 86-074, 62 FR 49321, Sept. 19, 1997, as amended by USCG-2012-0208, 79 FR 48932, Aug. 18, 2014]

§125.103 Tonnage measurement.

(a) An OSV of at least 6,000 gross tonnage, as measured under section 14302 of Title 46, United States Code (hereafter referred to as an OSV of at least 6,000 GT ITC), must apply all regulations of the Coast Guard that depend on the vessel's tonnage using the tonnage as measured under the Convention measurement system.

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- (b) An OSV that is measured only under section 14502 of Title 46, United States Code, and that is at least 500 gross register tons as measured under that system (hereafter referred to as an OSV of at least 500 GRT), must apply all regulations of the Coast Guard that depend on the vessel's tonnage as if the vessel's tonnage were at least 6,000 GT ITC
- (c) In this subchapter, tonnage thresholds expressed in terms of "gross tons" are applied using GRT, if assigned, and GT ITC if GRT is not assigned.

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§ 125.105 International certificates for OSVs of at least 6,000 GT ITC.

An OSV of at least 6,000 GT ITC (500 GRT if GT ITC is not assigned) must obtain and maintain the following international certificates as a prerequisite to obtaining a Certificate of Inspection:

- (a) Cargo Ship Safety Construction Certificate in accordance with the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974, as amended (SOLAS, 1974, as amended).
- (b) Cargo Ship Safety Equipment Certificate in accordance with SOLAS, 1974, as amended.
- (c) Safety Management Certificate in accordance with SOLAS, 1974, as amended.
- (d) International Oil Pollution Prevention Certificate in accordance with the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution at Sea, as amended (MARPOL 73/78).
- (e) International Air Pollution Prevention Certificate in accordance with MARPOL 73/78.
- (f) International Load Line Certificate in accordance with the International Convention on Load Lines, 1966, as subsequently modified by its Protocol of 1988, as amended.

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§ 125.110 Carriage of flammable or combustible liquid cargoes in bulk.

(a) Except as provided by this section, no OSV may carry flammable or combustible liquid cargoes in bulk without the approval of the Commandant (CG-OES).

- (b) An OSV may carry the following in integral tanks:
- (1) Grade-D combustible liquids listed by §30.25-1 of this chapter, in quantities not to exceed 20 percent of the vessel's deadweight, except that the vessel may carry drilling fluids and excess fuel oil, Grade-E as well as Grade-D, without limit.
- (2) Grade-E combustible liquids listed by §30.25-1 of this chapter, in quantities not to exceed 20 percent of the vessel's deadweight, except that the vessel may carry drilling fluids and excess fuel oil, Grade-D as well as Grade-E, without limit.
- (3) Other flammable or combustible liquids as authorized in §125.125 of this part.
- (c) An OSV may carry the following in fixed independent tanks on deck: Grade-B and lower-grade flammable and combustible liquids listed by § 30.25-1 of this chapter, in quantities not to exceed 20 percent of the vessel's deadweight.
- (d) An OSV may carry hazardous materials in portable tanks, in compliance with part 64 and subpart 98.30 of this chapter. A portable tank may be filled or discharged aboard the vessel if authorized by an endorsement on the vessel's Certificate of Inspection.
- (e) On an OSV of at least 6,000 GT ITC (500 GRT if GT ITC is not assigned), tanks authorized for carriage of oil as defined by 33 CFR 157.03, including drilling fluids containing oil as defined by 33 CFR 157.03, must comply with double hull requirements stated in 33 CFR 157.10d.

Note to §125.110(e): Additional limitations on the carriage of flammable or combustible liquid cargoes are found in §127.650 of this part.

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§ 125.115 Oil fuel tank protection.

(a) An OSV of at least 6,000 GT ITC (500 GRT if GT ITC is not assigned) that is delivered after August 1, 2010, with an aggregate capacity of 600 cubic